

REMARKS

Claims remaining in the present patent application are numbered 8-15. The rejections and comments of the Examiner set forth in the Office Action dated September 22, 2005 have been carefully considered by the Applicants. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to consider and allow the remaining claims.

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the present Office Action, the Examiner has stated that the present Application contains two patently distinct species of the claimed invention. Specifically, the Examiner has required Applicant to elect between a first species 1A, recited in Claims 1-7; and a second species in Claims 8-15.

ELECTION WITHOUT TRAVERSE

Applicants hereby elect without traverse to prosecute the species 1B, recited in Claims 8-15.

CONCLUSION

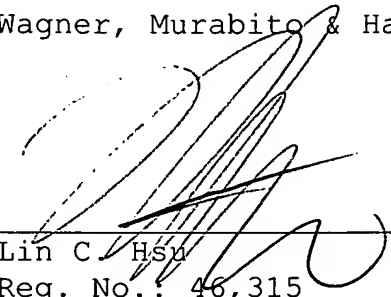
In light of the election/restriction presented herein, Applicants respectfully requests consideration of the elected claims.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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